

# *Curriculum Vitae*

**Ron Foster**

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## **EXPERIENCE - WORK HISTORY**

**1992 - Present**

**7-W INVESTIGATIONS, INC. (PI# )**

**Culver City, California**

**Portland, Oregon**

**Bakersfield, California**

**Fresno, California**

**Darby, Montana**

President/CEO, of a full service corporate security/investigative firm, specializing In Intellectual Property, Copyright, and Counterfeit Investigations; Insurance Fraud; AOE/COE and Auto/BI; Site Risk Management, Security and Vulnerability Assessment; TSCM; Technical/Forensic Investigations; Covert Camera Installations; and Advanced Surveillance and Investigative Applications.

Individually, Mr. Foster continues to serve the legal community as a Forensic Consultant and expert witness in litigation involving claims of security negligence/inadequate security, premise liability, in issues relating to both commercial and residential situs.

**1989 - 1992**

**California State Bar**

**Office of Investigations**

**Los Angeles, California**

Investigator II, conducted investigations into the alleged misconduct of attorneys under the Business and Professions Code and the State Bar Act.

**1979 - 1989**

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**

**Los Angeles, California**

Conducted investigations relating to official FBI criminal, security, applicant, and civil investigations. Provided Defensive Tactics, Firearms, and conducted Advanced Officer's Survival Training for various police academies within the State of California. In charge of the physical security of the office, communications personnel, and coordination of investigations, during after hours operations.

**1978 - 1979**

**San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department**

**San Bernardino, California**

UC Officer utilized in department's High School Drug Interdiction Program. Tactical Advisor at SBSO Academy, Technical Training Unit.

## **EDUCATIONAL TRAINING**

**Bachelors of Science Degree, Criminal Justice Administration**

**California State University, Los Angeles  
Los Angeles, California**

**Additional Education, Training and Instructions:**

**Federal Bureau of Investigation:**

Firearms Instructor's Course  
Defensive Tactics Instructor's Course  
Bomb Investigation School  
Financial Fraud Investigations

**Microsoft Corporation**

Software Piracy Field Evaluation & Testing  
Advanced Piracy Anti-Counterfeiting Classes

**San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department**

P.C. 832 Course

**State of California**

Certified Baton Instructor  
Certified Firearms Instructor

**SPEAKER ON VARIOUS ISSUES OF SECURITY, PREMISES LIABILITY, WORKER'S COMPENSATION, AOE/COE, AUTO/BI, SOFTWARE PIRACY, IDENTITY THEFT, ADVANCED SURVEILLANCE AND INVESTIGATION APPLICATIONS, ARREST SEARCH AND SEIZURE, ADVANCED OFFICERS SURVIVAL, FIREARMS, AND DEFENSIVE TACTICS, BEFORE THE FOLLOWING:**

Whittier Police Department  
Santa Monica Police Department  
Redondo Beach Police Department  
San Bernardino Sheriff's Department  
CSU - Los Angeles  
Various Rotary International Clubs  
California Institute of Forensic Science  
California Association of Licensed  
Investigators

Torrance Police Department  
Brea Police Department  
Culver City Police Department  
CSU - San Bernardino  
South Bay High Tech Crimes Unit  
California Specialized Training Institute  
Association of Certified Fraud Examiners  
City of Hope

**PROVIDED INVESTIGATIVE EXPERTISE, SECURITY EVALUATIONS, SECURITY INSTALLATIONS, TRAINING AND/OR CONSULTING IN THE ABOVE AREAS, TO THE FOLLOWING CORPORATE ENTITIES:**

**Corporations:**

American Golf Corporation  
American Airlines  
Microsoft Corporation  
The Ronald Reagan Foundation  
Academy of Motion Picture Arts & Sciences  
Eastman Kodak

**Law Firms:**

American Legal Group  
Bonne, Bridges, Mueller, O'Keefe & Nichols  
Buter, Buzard & Dunaetz  
Callahan & Blaine, LLP  
Demler, Armstrong & Rowland LLP  
Preston, Gates & Ellip, LLP

Matsui International  
Ultamax Corporation  
Unitex Corporation  
City Attorney's Office of Los Angeles  
Sbarro, Inc.  
Philip Morris  
Walker Zanger Tile Company  
City of Culver City  
Animatics Corporation  
Arthur Anderson  
Authentic Specialty Foods (La Victoria)  
Executive Shield  
Ford West  
GlaxoSmithKline, Inc.  
Lakshmi International  
Nisco Pacific International  
Promenade West, Inc.  
Nextel Communications  
Seacliff Country Club  
Sweetener Products, Inc.  
White Star Limo  
Cedars Sinai Medical Center  
Ford Motor Company  
Choice One Meats  
Black & Decker  
20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox Studios  
Kroll Investigative Services  
SafirRosetti  
Overhill Farms  
Axium International

**Insurance Carriers:**

21st Century Insurance Company SIU  
Tri-star Insurance  
Tower Insurance  
State Farm Insurance  
Farmers Insurance  
Mercury Insurance  
Colony West Insurance  
Don McGiffen Insurance  
Great American Insurance  
Impact General  
Inspire Claims Management  
Topa Insurance  
Allstate Insurance

Dorothy L. Carfac, Attorney at Law  
Gollub, Golsan & Ziff, LLP  
Haney, Buchanan & Patterson, LLP  
Holland & Knight, LLP  
Kenneth Hicks, Esq.  
La Follette, Johnson, DeHaas, Fesler,  
Silberberg & Ames, LLP  
Mitsumori & LaSalle, LLP  
Rivers J. Morrell, III, Esq.  
Jeffrey Bradpiece, Esq.  
David R. Schneider, Esq.  
Marvin Rudnick, Esq.  
Mary K. Reynolds, Attorney at Law  
Steven Karp, Esq.  
Law Offices of Stoll, Nussbaum & Polakov  
O'Melvany & Myers, LLP  
Quinn, Emanuel, Urquhart, Oliver &  
Hedges, LLP  
Stern & Ross, LLP  
Lewis, Brissois, Bisgard & Smith, LLP  
Lisa Berg, Attorney at Law  
Lund Law Corporation  
Manning & Marder, LLP  
Mixon, Valk & Jolly, LLP

**Law Enforcement Agencies:**

Los Angeles Police Department  
Culver City Police Department  
Torrance Police Department  
Orange County Sheriff's Department  
United States Customs  
National Insurance Crime Bureau  
California Department of Insurance  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Santa Monica Police Department  
CA. Office of Homeland Security

**SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND/OR AWARDS**

- 1984 - Olympic Citation, for efforts during the 1984 Olympic Games, Los Angeles, CA.
- 1985 - Commendation, Chief Justice Andrew Hauk, US Attorneys Office, for outstanding performance.
- 1987 - Commendation from the Special Agent in Charge, FBI, Los Angeles, for efforts taken which resulted in the apprehension of two “take-over” bank robbery suspects.
- 1990 - Conducted investigation into the criminal activities of 23 attorneys in conjunction with the US Postal Inspector’s Office, resulting in the disbarment or resignation, and the conviction of the largest group of lawyers within the State of California.
- 1998 - Provided investigative expertise and testimony within “Operation Panther”, which resulted in the conviction of California’s largest Insurance Fraud Ring.
- 2000 – Provided technical expertise in the formation of the South Bay High Tech Crimes Task Force, Torrance, California.
- 2000 - Provided technical and investigative expertise which resulted in the prosecution of individuals and the recovery of over \$200 million dollars of counterfeit software.
- 2001 - Conducted investigation which resulted in the retrieval of Judy Garland's “Oscar” for the Motion Picture Arts & Sciences Association.
- 2004 – Provided investigative expertise and conducted surveillances which resulted in the recovery of \$200,000+ of stolen American Airlines parts and equipment.
- 2005 - Coordinated and provided investigative insight that resulted in the exoneration of a major medical corporation under a multi-state Federal investigation.
- 2005 - Provided expert testimony in the area of Premise Security which resulted in a 1 1/2 million+ dollar recovery for plaintiff.
- 2005 - 7-W Offices surpass the handling of over 4000+ AOE/COE and Auto/BI related investigations.
- 2005 - Advisor to the California Office of Homeland Security.
- 2006 – Conducted investigation relating to the theft of an estimated 2 million dollars of merchandise, which resulted in the arrest of two individuals, and termination of eight employees.

## **PROFESSIONAL/CIVIC ASSOCIATIONS**

Current member of the Forensic Expert Witness Association (FEWA)\*  
 Current member of the Southern California Fraud Investigator’s Association (SCFIA)  
 Current member of the Society of FBI Alumni, Inc. (SFBIA)  
 Current member Lamda Alpha Epsilon - American Criminal Justice Association (ACJA)\*  
 Current member of the FBI’s Infraguard Association

Current member of the Intl. Assoc. of Counter-Terrorism & Security Professionals (IACSP)  
Current member of the International Foundation of Protection Officers (IFPO)  
Advisor to the California Office of Homeland Security (CAOHS)  
Current member of the Forensic Investigative and Technical Services Group (FITS)  
Current member of the Federal Criminal Investigators Association (FCIA)  
Former member Police Officers Research Association  
Former member California Oriental Peace Officer's Association  
Former member FBI Recreation Association  
\* Applications pending